## DOWNTOWN COMMITTEE MEETING JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2012

SIGN IN

BRENDA WHITAKER BILL DAVIS

JUDY WHITAKER

BRIAN KONZEN

DAN MCDOWELL

PAUL JACKSTADT

WALMER SCHMIDTKE

DON THOMPSON

**ED HAGNAUER** 

VIRGIL KAMBARIAN

**JACK JENKINS** 

**GERALD WILLIAMS** 

ALDERMAN WHITAKER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

WHITAKER TURNED THE MEETING OVER JOHN FERRY TO DISCUSS THE VIDEO FOR THE DOWNTOWN AREA.

FERRY STATED THAT HE HAS THE FUNDING IN HIS BUDGET FOR A VIDEO. FERRY STATED THAT THE COST WOULD BE \$2,500 AND HE HAS CONTACTED A FRIEND FRANK CRIDER THAT DOES VIDEOS. FERRY STATED THAT HE HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE ATTORNEYS ABOUT THE VIDEO. FERRY STATED THAT THE VIDEO WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY 3-5 MINUTES LONG MELTING POT, THE IDEA IS TO GET MORE PEOPLE EXCITED ABOUT THE DOWNTOWN AREA.

MORE DISCUSSION ABOUT THE COUNCIL ABOUT THE PROJECT. MAYOR STATED THAT HE HOPES THAT THIS WOULD PROMOTE NEW BUSINESS FOR THE CITY. FERRY STATED THAT THIS WOULD TARGET OTHER BUSINESSES AND PEOPLE OUT SIDE OUR AREA.

JACKSTADT STATED THAT HE THINKS WE SHOULD USE AS A MARKETING TOOL OF OUR VISION FOR THE CITY, AND NOT ADVERTISEMENT FOR CURRENT THINGS HAPPENING IN THE CITY.

WHITAKER STATED THAT MAYBE THERE IS A WAY FOR THE PEOPLE WITH OTHER BUSINESSES TO UNDER WRIGHT THE COST OF THE VIDEO. KONZEN STATED THAT PEOPLE CAN MAKE DONATIONS.

MORE DISCUSSION ON VIDEO BY THE COUNCIL.
MAYOR STATED WHY WE SHOULD PROMOTE THE EVENTS
DOWNTOWN, WHEN WE SHOULD BE PROMOTING OUR CITY
RESOURCES AND SELLING OUR COMMUNITY.

WHITAKER STATED THAT SHE AGREES WE NEED TO MARKET THE CITIES ASSETS AND NOT MARKETING THE EVENTS DOWNTOWN MAKES NO SENSE AT ALL. WHITAKER STATED THAT WE NEED TO MAKE IT ABOUT GRANITE CITY AS A WHOLE AND WE REALLY NEED AN OUT LINE BEFORE WE MAKE ANY DECISIONS. WHITAKER STATED THAT WE HAVE A GREAT PARKS SYSTEM AND SCHOOL WE NEED TO HIGH LIGHT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY. WHITAKER STATED THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE FOR FERRY TO COME BACK WITH AN OUTLINE FOR THEM TO APPROVE.

MOTION BY MCDOWELL, SECOND WHITAKER TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED.

MEETING ADJOURNED.